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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Patrick "Pat" Nelson, who passed away on March 10, 2012; and

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WHEREAS, Patrick Nelson was born on December 6, 1936; he was the son of the late Eugene Patrick and Lydia Nelson; he married Susanne Cusack on August 2, 1958, at St. Bernard Church in Peoria; and

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WHEREAS, Patrick Nelson graduated from Bradley University with a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering; and

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WHEREAS, Patrick Nelson served his country as an officer in the United States Air Force; and

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WHEREAS, Patrick Nelson retired from Shell Oil Company in Wood River after 35 years of service; and

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WHEREAS, Patrick Nelson was a member of St. Boniface Catholic Church in Edwardsville; he was a professed Secular Franciscan and a member of Our Lady of the Angels Fraternity in Edwardsville and served as Minister of Our Lady of the Angels Fraternity for 6 years; he was a member of the Knights of Columbus Council No. 1143; he was also honored by the Vatican

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1 by being named a Knight of the Equestrian Order of the Holy
2 Sepulchre of Jerusalem; and

3 WHEREAS, Patrick Nelson was preceded in death by his
4 daughter, Kathleen Nelson; his sisters, Jacqueline Coyle and
5 Eileen Brown; and his brother, Buddy Nelson; and

6 WHEREAS, Patrick Nelson is survived by his sons, Patrick J.
7 Nelson, Jr. and wife Melissa, Daniel E. Nelson and wife Karie,
8 and James T. Nelson and Kathryn J. Marks; his daughters,
9 Maureen D. Schuette and husband Greg, Christine M. Nelson, and
10 Laurie E. Bonk and husband Alan; his sister, Gayle Rogy; and
11 his 13 grandchildren; therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL
13 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
14 his family and friends, the passing of Patrick "Pat" Nelson;
15 and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
17 presented to the family of Patrick Nelson as an expression of
18 our sympathy.